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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) is a request for filing a

☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional

continued prosecution application of prior pending Appln. No. 09/437,607, filed November 10, 1999.For (Title): RECOVERING METALS FROM SOIL

(Amended Title): _____

By (Inventors): 1) Rufus L. CHANEY; 2) Jayce Scott ANGLE; 3) Yin-Ming LI; and
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- ☒ Abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application.
- ☒ The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS REMAINING IN THE APPLICATION AFTER
ENTRY OF ANY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT OR
AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116 NOTED BELOW

FOR:	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA
BASIC FEE:		
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INDEP CLAIMS:	3 - 3	= 0
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SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEE
	\$ 370
x 9 =	\$
x 42 =	\$
+ 140 =	\$
TOTAL	\$ 370

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SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEE
	\$ 740
x 18 =	\$
x 84 =	\$
+ 280 =	\$
TOTAL	\$

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$370.00 to cover the filing fee is attached. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be required to complete this filing, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 01-300.
- ☐ No fee is attached. Please do not charge our deposit account.

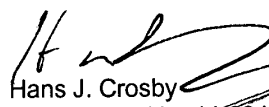
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5. ☒ Cancel in this application claims 5-7, 19-37 and 41-47 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. At least one independent claim is retained for filing purposes.
6. ☐ Please enter in the present application the Amendment Under 37 CFR §1.116 with any attachments filed on _____ in said prior application, which was not entered therein.
7. ☐ This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application (37 C.F.R. §1.53(d)(4)). Delete the following inventor(s) named in the prior application:

8. ☒ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. Claims added by this Amendment are properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered claim in the prior application.
9. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement is attached along with Form PTO-1449 and one (1) reference.
10. ☒ Small entity status:
☐ a. A small entity statement is attached.
☒ b. A small entity statement was filed in the parent application and such status is still proper and desired.
☐ c. Small entity status is no longer claimed.
11. ☐ Other: _____
12. ☒ Address all future communications to:

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